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State Sen. Wants Gays 'Invisible'

## New Jersey GAA Prepares to Battle Senator

TRENTON, NJ — The Gay Activists Alliance of New Jersey has vowed that gays "will not be driven back into the closet" by attacks from a State Senator here. Phyllis Noble, president of GAA/NJ has pledged that gays will not become "invisible."

Sen. Joseph Maressa (D-Camden) has stated that he wants "people who are gay to be driven underground, to be sorry that it happened." Maressa, a lawyer and former New Jersey state trooper, has promised to introduce legislation to make homosexuality illegal in the state.

#### Support in Committee

Maressa, who spoke at a meeting of the State Senate Judiciary Committee, said he wanted gays "driven underground." "We can't go in the home and drag them out by the feet, but I want young people to realize that it's wrong," he said.

The Senator told a cheering crowd of

supporters that he wants to brand homosexuals as "bad" individuals. Maressa admitted that it would be "almost impossible" to press prosecutions under the proposed anti-gay statute and that he is not interested in having gays arrested. Homosexual acts are presently banned under the sodomy laws of New Jersey, but violations are seldom prosecuted, according to state officials.

#### 'A Scare Tactic'

GAA/NJ's Noble has called the Maressa attack a "scare tactic that just won't work," and added that New Jersey is "apparently . . . the next to be hit with the right wing Anita Bryant backlash."

"Maressa can be assured that his pledge to drive gays underground will be met with a very long, hard political fight. We haven't gone underground for years. And now we're too deeply entrenched in the community to be ignored," Noble said.

Noble added that the anti-gay attitudes were gaining support among conservatives in New Jersey, but not the public in general. GAA/NJ has planned coalition efforts against Maressa with the National Organization for Women, the American Civil Liberties Union, Women Against Rape, and various church groups.

#### **Work Before Introduction**

Noble stated that there is much confusion in the state about Maressa's proposed changes in the law because no changes have been formally introduced to the legislature.

"It is my feeling," she said, "that enough political pressure can be exerted on Senator Maressa not to introduce sodomy laws or any new legislation into the revised Penal Code.

"We feel that if Sen. Maressa does not introduce the legislation at this time he will make future attempts to introduce amendments that will threaten the freedom of the gay community. At this time we . . . [will] keep an eye on the State Senate and Maressa in particular concerning their future conduct on these issues."

#### A Plea for Help

Nothing that the fight in New Jersey is unlike previous battles against antigay rights moves, GAA/NJ has asked for help to keep the legislature from "putting anti-gay legislation on the books." "It will be our objective to try to kill anti-homosexual legislation. If we cannot prevent the introduction before the legislature and it goes before the state legislature for a vote, our contacts in Trenton feel we will surely lose at this point," Noble warned.

Contributions can be sent to ACTION c/o GAA/NJ, Box 1734, So. Hackensack, NJ 07606.

## Mass. Judge's Action Follows Removal Vote

## Justice Bonin Surprises Supporters and Resigns

By David Brill

BOSTON-Robert M. Bonin surprised his supporters last Wednesday, August 2, when he submitted his resignation as Chief Justice of the Superior Court to Governor Michael S. Dukakis. Bonin's resignation came less than 24 hours after the House and Senate had both voted overwhelmingly in favor of a "bill of address" to remove the controversial jurist from the bench permanently.

Bonin's troubles resumed on July 31 when the House of Representatives spent the better part of a day debating the "bill of address," which had been endorsed by the Joint Committee on the Judiciary by a vote of 17-3. Senate Chairperson Alan D. Sisitsky (D-Springfield) joined Rep. Roland Orlandi (D-Boston) and Rep. Norman S. Weinberg (D-Brighton) in a minority report asserting that Bonin should be

removed through the impeachment process, and thus be given a full trial before the Legislature.

"The General Court [Legislature] has a special responsibility to proceed with caution in this matter because of the prejudicial atmosphere. Long term confidence in the integrity of our system of justice is at stake," wrote Sisitsky. "The Legislature should be prepared to sacrifice an individual to appease public clamor."

However, the majority opinion stated: "...the position of Chief Justice of the Superior Court must be held to the highest standard of judicial conduct" and recommended approval of the bill of address. The majority of the Committee found Bonin guilty in several matters that the Supreme Judicial Court had acquitted him of earlier last month — matters largely stemming from his attendance at a lecture by

Gore Vidal to benefit the Boston/Boise Committee.

#### Anti-Semitism

During eight hours of heated debate on Monday, Bonin's supporters in the House charged that he was being railroaded from office without a fair trial because of a personality problem. Rep. William G. Robinson (R-Melrose) at one point suggested that anti-Semitism in the largely Irish-Catholic legal establishment was a factor in the Jewish judge's downfall.

Rep. H. Thomas Colo (D-Athol) and Rep. Bruce Wetherbee (D-Pepperell) supported a motion by Orlandi to remove Bonin through the impeachment process, which would entail a full trial, rather than the bill of address, which merely requires a majority vote in each branch and the approval of the governor and Executive Council. Orlandi's motion failed by a vote of 177-48.

The House then voted 206-17 to "address" Bonin, and sent the bill on to the Senate.

#### Noble Votes to Oust

The three legislators most closely identified with gay rights all took different positions on the Bonin matter. Rep. Mel King voted in support of a full trial and against the bill of address. Rep. Barney Frank announced at the beginning that he would abstain from all voting because he was the first speaker at the Arlington Street Church on April 5 when Vidal spoke. [See box]. Rep. Elaine Noble voted to give Bonin a trial, but when that motion failed, Noble voted with the majority to remove him from the bench.

On Tuesday, some of the most influential state senators debated the bill of address all afternoon. Sisitsky emerged as Bonin's most tenacious supporter,

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## Police Commissioner Urged to Act Against Homophobic Attitude

BOSTON — Rep. Barney Frank recently met with Boston Police Commissioner Joseph M. Jordan to discuss a number of complaints which the gay community has made regarding the conduct of the city's police officers, especially in District Four (Back Bay and South End). Also attending the meeting were Atty. John Ward and GCN writer David Brill, as well as Robert Wasserman, the Commissioner's operations assistant, and Deputy Supt. James J. MacDonald, commander of Patrol Area "C", which includes Districts Four and Fourteen (Allston-Brighton).

Verbal harassment of gay men by polic officers was a major point on the meeting's agenda. Ward described how one of his clients was called "honey" and "dear" by police officers at Boston Municipal Court, while Brill told of name-calling complaints he had received by gay men who merely went to the police station to report a house-break. Frank suggested that the adverse publicity following the so-called Revere indictments last year and the



Boston Police Commr. Joseph Jordan

Boston Public Library arrests in March may have contributed to increasingly homophobic attitudes in the police department, and urged the commissioner to take immediate corrective action.

Frank also urged the police to establish priorities regarding enforcement of prostitution laws in his district. While he agreed that a uniformed police presence on "The Block" in the Back Bay is necessary because it is a heavily residential neighborhood, he told Jordan he had no objections at all to male cruising in the commercial Park Square area. Frank also cited a letter from "A. Nolder Gay" to Boston Mayor Kevin White concerning entrapment at the Boston Public Library, while Brill and Ward offered other examples of police harassment — such as the arrest of a 49-year old man for being a prostitute.

While there were differences between Frank and the Commissioner on certain issues, there was agreement that demeaning, verbal harassment — because it is so difficult to prove and nearly impossible to fight — is totally unacceptable.

After the meeting, Frank sent Jordan a clipping from a recent issue of the Boston Globe, in which an official police department spokesperson was quoted concerning the Blackfriars Pub murders as saying, "It's not a gay place or anything like that . . . it's always been a pretty quiet and straight

place." Frank also sent a copy of a complaint he had received concerning police dispatchers calling gay men "faggots" over the police radio.

Also as a result of the meeting, the police department and the city's Law Department are checking into ways that criminal records of gay men arrested, but found innocent on "lewdness" or similar charges, can be retrieved from the FBI and local criminal files. "I have had called to my attention two cases in which people found not guilty of gay-related charges were damaged," said Frank. "Given the prejudice that, unfortunately, still exists in this society against gay people, allowing arrest records to be circulated — and thus inevitably used — to the disadvantage of men who have been found innocent in court of any crime is unjustified."

Frank also urged gay people with complaints to make them known, either to him or to GCN, in order to check the effectiveness of the meeting with Jordan.

## **NEWS NOTES**

#### 'REVERE TRIALS' TO BEGIN

BOSTON — The Boston/Boise Committee asks spartive individuals to attend the first of the als involving the so-called "Revere" cases. It begins Monday, Aug. 14 in Suffolk County Courthouse at 10 a.m.

The first day or two of the trial may be taken up by jury selection and spectators may not be limitted, but the Committee says that a presence at the courthouse "would be helpful." Telephone Boston/Boise at 267-4521 for information.

The Committee also urges people to follow the media coverage of the upcoming trials and monitor that coverage for "misleading or incorrect statements." Telephone calls and letters should be made to the offending media and should be sent to the Committee as well. Media guidelines are available on request from Boston/Boise.

#### MASS. DEMOCRATIC POLL

BOSTON — Pollster Pat Caddell has recently campleted a poll of Massachusetts Democrats which shows Secretary af State Paul Guzzi to be far and away the front-runner in the race for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate. Guzzi was preferred by 35% of the voters surveyed, with Baston School Cammittee member Kathleen Sullivan Alioto a distant second at 13%. U.S. Rep. Paul Tsongas received 12% in the poll, while Rep. Elaine Noble trailed with 5%. The other candidates all scored 3% or less.

#### **BROSHEARS TIPS POLICE**

SAN FRANCISCO — Jack Campbell, owner of the Club Baths chain and a leading gay activist in Miami, was arrested on a felony charge of pimping after being caught in a vice squad trap here. Campbell, free on \$1,000 bail, was arrested after a discussion with an undercover police officer who was wearing a concealed radio transmitter. The discussion took place after the officer responded to an escort service advertisement in the Bay Area Reporter.

The July 13 arrest occurred on tips from San Francisco gay publisher Rev. Ray Broshears and Board of Supervisors President Dianne Feinstein.

Campbell's attorney, John Visey called the charge a "defamation" and added that the only thing that happened "was a conversation."

#### A JURY AND AVERAGE PEOPLE

CLEVELAND, OH — A jury in Federal District Court here wrote a judge a message saying that the jurors did not believe the average person was capable of having a shameful interest in sex. The note was passed after the jury had acquitted seven persons on obscenity charges.

Reuben Sturman and six of his employees were acquitted of charges of shipping obscene material across state lines. Sturman, who runs the Sovereign News Co., was alleged to be the nation's largest distributor of sexually explicit materials.

The jury stated that the 12 films and 24 magazines it viewed during the trial were "morbid, shameful and lewd" but they told Judge William K. Thomas that they had difficulty with the definition of "prurient interest" given in his charge to the jury.

The jury wrote that the major problem is "that we are convinced that the average person has a normal, healthy response to sex. We don't believe the average person is capable of having a shameful or morbid interest in sex or excretions."

#### ESCAPING FROM BAD PRISON

WASHINGTON, DC — If an escaped inmate can prove he fled jail because of intolerable conditions while in the facility, he can be acquitted of escape charges, a Federal appeals court has ruled.

In a 2 to 1 ruling, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia ordered new trials for four men who escaped from the city jail in August of 1976

The escapees charged that there had been frequent fires at the jail and that officials permitted them to burn themselves out. They also charged there was poor ventilation, threats and beatings by guards and one inmate was denied necessary medical treatment.

The court ruled that under the law, the word 'escape" is not self defining.

LESBIAN ARTS FESTIVAL

SAN FRANCISCO — The Eureka/Noe Valley Artists Coalition in cooperation with the Pride Foundation/Gay Community Center and the San Francisco Arts Commission's Neighborhood Arts Program is sponsoring a National Lesbian Arts Festival for Sept. 1 through Oct. 8.

The exhibit will be held at the Top Floor Gallery in this city and works of Lesbian Art are being solicited in a number of areas including visual arts, graphics, mixed media, painting, photography, sculpture and textiles.

For further information contact Nikki Schrager at (415) 431-3356. You can send a self-addressed envelope to the Top Floor Gallery, 330 Grove St., San Francisco, CA 94102, for full details.

#### WALINSKY VS. GAA UPDATE

WHITE PLAINS, NY — A motion by Adam Walinsky to have the Gay Activists Alliance and some of its members held in contempt for allegedly-violating an injunction barring them from "harassing" him has been dismissed by an acting State Supreme Court Justice.

The judge dismissed the action because of the failure of Walinsky and his attorney to appear in court. Walinsky said he would renew the motion.

The New York attorney and politico is suing the GAA for \$2.2 million in damages. The suit was brought after a demonstration at Walinsky's Scarsdale home last August. GAA staged the protest after an anti-gay article by Walinsky in the New York Daily News.

#### **SEX TROUBLES**

NEW YORK CITY — The Joy of Lesbian Sex and the Joy of Gay Sex have been the basis for criminal charges in at least two cities. The books were two of a dozen confiscated from three bookstores in Lexington, Ky. The action was the city's first enforcement of a new anti-pornography law that prohibits the display of sexually oriented material in places frequented by minors.

Meanwhile, the New York-based B. Dalton Co. has banned the display of the books in its 300 stores. A memo was sent to all managers of the stores to "keep the books off the selling floor and show it to adult customers by request only."

#### **SCOUTS EXEMPTED**

BOSTON — A bill exempting Boys Clubs and Boy and Girl Scouts from the Massachusetts ban on sex discrimination in public accommodations has become law without Gov. Michael Dukakis' approval. The governor's objections stemmed from the bill's potential conflict with the Equal Rights Amendment, according to a staff report.

The measure, which became law last week, provides sex discrimination exemptions to federally chartered entities "promoting the health, social, educational, vocational and character development of a single sex."

#### WE ARE EVERYWHERE

LOS ANGELES — A new organization is beginning here "to combat acts of oppression towards gay persons in countries throughout the world." We Are Everywhere, International is the name of this "international network of concerned individuals and gay organizations aiming to support actions promoting justice for gay persons."

The infant organization, formed in mid-July, has moved to protest the arrest of gay demonstrators in Sidney, Australia [see GCN Vol. 6, No. 2]. It has held a support rally in Los Angeles and has sent over 600 letters of protest to the Australian ambassador to the U.S.

For further information about We Are Everywhere, International, write 1428 N. McCadden Place, Los Angeles, CA 90028 or call (213) 463-3928 or (213) 464-0756.

#### **WOMEN AT SEA**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Federal District Court here has ruled unconstitutional a Federal law that prohibits women in the Navy from serving at sea on other than transport and hospital ships.

Judge John Sirica found that under the law "sex is required to take precedence over individual ability." In the 38-page decision, Sirica said the exclusion kept women from "gaining access to a wide range of opportunities for the development of job skills and areas of technical expertise." He found that the law placed a ceiling on the number of women Navy recruits.

The decision came in a suit filed last year by six Navy enlisted women and officers. The ruling will affect the 25,000 women now serving in the Navy.

#### REGISTER TO VOTE

BOSTON — Aug. 22 is the last day to register to vote in the Sept. 19 primary election. Voter registration is held every day at your local city or town hall. In Boston, the main City Hall at Government Center and all Little City Halls are available to register on a daily basis, and will be open evenings and Saturdays during the final week of the registration period. For information about registering to vote in Boston, contact the Election Department at 725-4300.

#### SENTENCE IN MURDER OF GAY

WASHINGTON, DC — A District teenager has been sentenced to 35 years in prison for the murder of a gay man, Ronald J. Pettine, at the Iwo Jima Memorial two years ago. Pettine, a campaign aide to Rep. Morris Udall when Udall was running for the Democratic nomination for President in 1976, was found beaten to death at the memorial, a well-known cruise area.

According to testimony at the trial, Michael G. Simoneau had bragged to friends after the Oct. 2, 1976 slaying, that he and two others had ripped off Pettine's clothing and abused him sexually before beating the man with a tree limb. Simoneau testified that he went to the memorial to "smack around a few queers."

In sentencing the man, Judge Charles H. Duff called the murder "cruel, callous and brutal."

#### **CULTURAL FESTIVAL GRANT**

PHILADELPHIA — The Philadelphis Gay Cultural Festival has been awarded a grant of \$1000 by the State Council on the Arts for the production of its spring, 1979 program. The Festival, sponsored by the Christian Association of the University of Pennsylvania and Gays at Penn, will offer a program of films, theatre productions, music, dance and other artistic reflections of the gay experience today. Over a thousand people participated in the first Festival this past spring.

Two Pennsylvania State Senators have challenged the Council grant. They claim that the funding represents support for the gay rights movement in Pennsylvania. Sens. Thomas Nolan (D-Allegheny) and John Stauffer (R-Chester) will move to amend the budget of the Council to remove the grant when the legislature reconvenes in September.

#### LITTLE RICHARD 'BORN AGAIN'

LOS ANGELES — Rock and roll performer Little Richard (Richard Penniman) has announced that he has "found Jesus" and will be giving up his career. In an interview in Jet magazine, the entertainer said he has "rejected screaming and wearing outlandish clothes" in order to spread the word of the Gospel.

In the interview, Little Richard said he recently found himself in an orgy, with four men and one woman, even though he is "straight." "I lost my way," Richard said, "but He [Jesus] brought me back. I'm a new creature."

Richard stated that he was conscious of his image as a "screaming queen." "I did things the average man would have been afraid to do for fear of being called a fag or sissy. I did these things just to draw attention. I even wore lipstick," Little Richard said.

#### **NUDE SWIM BATTLE**

HARRISBURG, PA. — Two female members of the Young Men's Christian Association have challenged the scheduling of the nude swim at the local YMCA on weekdays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The women contend that the pool should be open during the lunch hour to all adult members. Many of the male members are angry about the attempt to change the scheduling. The members of the board, including a judge, a minister, the local District Attorney and businessmen have hired a lawyer to help keep the men-only rule in force at the pool. The downtown YMCA has 298 female members and 3,500 male members.

#### **INTEGRITY HONOLULU**

HONOLULU — Integrity/Honolulu has recently been chartered as the newest chapter of Integrity, the national organization of gay Episcopalians. The chapter has already met for worship and fellowship five times since the inaugural meeting on May 20.

Integrity meets on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 7:30 p.m., in Parke Chapel, St. Andrew's Cathedral, Queen Emma Sq., Honolulu. The church is located in downtown Honolulu, right next to the governor's mansion and just down the street from the State Capitol.

## Costanza Resigns as Aide to Carter

WASHINGTON D.C. — Margaret "Midge" Costanza, gay rights advocate, resigned last week as President Carter's assistant because of "differences in style and approach."

Costanza, was the only woman on the White House staff until the recent appointment of Ann Wexler. Although Carter accepted it with regret, White House officials claim the President wants to give her time to decide what she's going to do. "The President regrets her departure but will accept the resignation. He will consult with Midge on the person who will replace her," an aide said.

In a telephone interview, Costanza said, "I am disappointed that I will not be able to continue working with the President. But I am not sad. I'm not angry with anyone. No one asked me to go." She continued, "In fact, the President asked me to stay. I have such confidence that what I have done is right. I still love and respect Jimmy Carter."

According to Rex Granum, deputy news secretary, there will be a delay of 30 days before Costanza's resignation takes effect.

Recently her position at the White House was downgraded and she was moved to a basement office reportedly because of differing views on women's and gay rights with other Presidential aides.

Last year Costanza met with representatives of the National Gay Task Force and other gay community leaders in her White House office. This was the first time gay men and lesbians were invited to the White House. During that time Costanza was very hopeful about Carter's platform on the human rights issues.

In an interview with GCN last summer, she said, "Jimmy Carter is a human rights advocate. He has not gone into all the aspects of human rights. Our own domestic rights have not been addressed." She continued, "We should give him a chance. I'm willing and I'm a strong proponent of gay rights, to give him an opportunity to understand." [see GCN July 9, 1977 Vol.5, No.2.]

In a letter to Carter, Costanza said she was confident that he shared her concern over human rights issues of significance to the young, the aged, ethnic minorities and women, especially ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. "Although we share these common goals and concerns, it has become clear that our approaches to fulfilling them are different." She added, "My own approaches are of advocacy. I have sought to advise you on



Midge Costanza, recently honored by the NGTF, with Jean O'Leary and Bruce Voeller.

the concerns assigned to me and to present those interests and needs to you."

Costanza said she was happy with her decision to resign. "The things that have been important to me in the White House are still important to me." "As to where I am going. I don't know. I want to think about it. The President is my friend and will always be my friend. It's a whole series of examples and styles, a whole different approach," she said.

## Beach Patrol Continues Arrests for 'Contact' in Maine Resort Town

By Philip Shehadi

OGUNQUIT, ME — A number of the approximately 25 gay men who have been arrested in the past month on the beach in this resort town on charges of "unlawful sexual contact" and "indecent exposure" are planning to enter pleas of not guilty at the Kittery District Court later this month.

The men were arrested during the month of July after they had made contact with men who turned out to be plainclothes officers patrolling the gay section of the beach. One of those charged, who is represented by attorney George Hutchins of Wells, claims that the police officers "implicitly consented" to be approached, and it is on these grounds that the charges are being rejected. According to Maine state

law the charge of "unlawful sexual contact" does not apply to situations in which the individuals involved are consenting.

Speaking of his client's case, attorney Hutchins told GCN that consent on the part of the arresting officer was "certainly implied by his dress and general appearance" — the officer was described as a "young goodlooking fellow with his shirt out."

Both the Maine Civil Liberties Union and the Portland-based organization Mainely Gay are concerned about what a MCLU spokesperson referred to as an "entrapment-type situation." This was primarily what prompted the MCLU to take up the case of a Kittery man in line with the national ACLU policy of defending homosexuals

against harassment.

The case of the individual from Kittery was set for a court date of August 1, but the defendant failed to show up. MCLU attorneys told GCN that the situation pointed up a potential problem in fighting police action. A spokesperson said that defendants "are just afraid to face a court date."

Members of Mainely Gay are considering the possibility of a civil suit against the Ogunquit Police, charging entrapment practices. The collective, which publishes its own newsletter, said it will await the outcome of upcoming trials and for more information about the exact circumstances of the arrests before taking any

At a July 18 meeting with Peter Priz-

er and Kevin Mohr of Mainely Gay, Ogunquit Police Chief William Hancock denied the entrapment charges. He claimed that the plainclothes officers were present in the gay area of the beach only to protect gay men from "intolerant heterosexuals." However, as the Mainely Gay spokespeople pointed out, the only arrests made this year have been of gay men.

A "beach patrol" has been making arrests on the Ogunquit beach for some ten years. In the last two summers there has been a considerable increase in its activity and in its arrests of gay men. Chief Hancock rejected the demand of Prizer and Mohr that arrests in the gay section of the beach cease. There is no indication that those arrests will not continue in the future.

## Case Against 6 Held in Ramble Beatings Imperiled by Police Action

NEW YORK CITY — The cases against the six persons accused of the beatings of six men in the Central Park Ramble may be in jeopardy. The New York Times reported that since the six youths were arrested on July 12, members of the District Attorney's office in Manhattan have acknowledged that there are "problems" with the case. The problems center on the way in which confessions were taken and on the fact that only two of the six arrested have been identified by eyewitnesses.

The detective in charge of the arrests failed to ask for an assistant district at-

torney to come to the Central Park Precinct House where four of the suspects gave confessions. Detective James O'Neill conducted the session with his partner because they did not think it would be necessary to have the assistant D.A. there.

According to Richard Lowe, chief of the trial division of the District Attorney's office, the "case would be in much better condition" if the confessions were taken by some one from that office.

Attorneys for the four who did confess their actions in the brutal beatings indicated that they would challenge the validity of the confessions at a preliminary hearing on the case. An attorney for one of the defendents, 18 year old David Hyman, said that in his client's case the "Miranda statements" were "not detailed in the confessions." The statements are those in which police officers tell a defendant that he or she has a right to remain silent and has a right to an attorney.

Defendant Hyman has been freed on \$12,000 bail, while the three other defendants over 16 years of age remain in jail. There has been no formal filing of charges against the two juveniles arrested in the case. They are to appear in Family Court next month.

Since the arrests in the Ramble case, Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morganthau, said he has given instructions that the Police Department ask for an assistant district attorney to be present to interview suspects in all major felony cases.

Morgenthau has refused to comment further on the Central Park case and has also refused to make the confessions of the four men public. The confessions have already been entered into evidence.

## MCC Boston Announces Appointment of New Associate Pastor

By Tony Domenick

BOSTON — Ann Montague is the newly-appointed Associate Pastor of Boston's Metropolitan Community Church. Born in Pullman, Washington, Montague told GCN during her first week in Boston "I'd like to see an outreach among the gay people in Boston. Since there is much alienation, I see my role as fulfilling their needs."

Montague decided to relinquish her liberal Congregational Church affiliation in order to incorporate her religion with her political views. As a result, she attended the Samaritan Theological In-

stitute in 1973. On her training there she told GCN, "Through this education in theology, I became a follower of the basic fundamental doctrine but not necessarily a fundamentalist."

As a candidate for Secretary of State for the Socialist Worker's Party, she advocated her views on the women's movement and gay liberation movement. "It was at this time that I started to deal with spiritual implications of my sexuality. Also, meeting Troy Perry was my first exposure to MCC."

MCC is a denomination of the Universal Fellowship Metropolitan Com-

munity Church. This denomination is located in every major city across the country and Canada and New Zealand. Although MCC has an 80% affiliation, the church is not gay, per se. According to Montague, MCC is expanding to include congregations in Tennessee and Kentucky.

"I think people in MCC are very involved in gay liberation issues. Most churches are involved with the social issues and lack in the individual issues. MCC tries to maintain a balance of both the Christian ideals and the individual spirituality."

As Associate Pastor, Montague will participate in all areas of worship including preaching, counselling and participating in community organizations.

The debate over women as ministers has never been an issue at MCC. One third of the MCC pastors are women. She told GCN, "Unlike other religious denominations, women have always been accepted since the beginning. MCC has never seen only men in these capacities."

## SPEAKING OUT

## Voting As the Path to Victory

By Ed Hougen

The gay and lesbian community is presented with a remarkable opportunity to significantly advance and improve its position in Boston. In light of the past year's setbacks, not only here but nationwide, it is imperative that we act now with our full force in taking advantage of the situation. The battlefield that favors our forces is the state Democratic primary Sept. 19. The objective to establish beyond any question or dispute the existence of a massive "gay vote" that elected officials dare not ignore.

In accomplishing this objective we will dramatically improve the climate for all gay men and lesbians in Boston. Before outlining in detail the nature of this community-wide campaign and the logic behind choosing this particular place to expend our energy, let us spend a moment considering a few of the forces at work within ourselves that if unrecognized and unchecked can undermine the most

carefully planned and executed campaign.

The fact that each of us has grown up in a homophobic culture bombarded from earliest memory with hostile and destructive messages about gayness means we have inevitably internalized some of these messages. The consequence of these messages is to reinforce a helpless and hopeless mindset about our own worth and effectiveness as a community. The tremendous strength and resources that lie within our community are often undermined before we can bring them fully into play by our cynical and homophobic expectations of failure and defeat. Our greatest internal danger is a defensive apathy and cynicism that seeks to prevent us and others from exercising even a minimal effort in our own behalf. Indeed, sometimes it appears that within each of us at some sinister level a homophobic piece is working against success, since continued failure permits us to maintain the familiar hopeless and helpless stance that has pervaded our culture's distorted understanding of what it means to be gay. Of course, the amazing energy and determination of our community, to fight against oppression even during periods when the odds seemed overwhelming, has been and continues to be the dominant theme. I only raise this concern that we might be on our guard and recognize tendencies within us to resist acting in a way that promotes our own welfare.

Let us now take a look at the campaign that is already underway. The plan is a very simple one: Identify men and women who will be supportive of candidates who favor rights for gay people, send them information about who these candidates are and are not, and get these people to the polls on Sept. 19. If they are presently unregistered, they will be helped to register before Aug. 22, the deadline to be eligible to vote in the primary. The effort is being focused on the gay neighborhoods of Back Bay, Beacon Hill, and South End, or Wards 4 and 5.

There are 16 different precinct teams with over a hundred volunteers telephone canvassing the men and women in these neighborhoods. From now until Aug. 22, the deadline for registering to vote in the primary, the volunteers will be focusing on unregistered people; from Aug. 23 to Sept, 19, on registered voters. The volunteer will ask a couple of opinion survey questions to identify whether the person on the other end of the phone is supportive, hostile or indifferent toward rights for gay people. If the person is found to be supportive, then he or she will be given registration information and urged to register in time to vote. A voter guide, informing the person of gay supportive people in each race, will then be sent. A final reminder to vote will be given a day or two before the primary.

While this canvassing effort is being carried on, the gay community will be kept informed about what is going on and encouraged to lend its support through radio and newspaper coverage, posters, as well as mailings. Match books and napkins urging people to protect their rights by registering to vote will be distributed by the bars. Special events, such as the community-wide rally at Arlington Street Church, will also be held, not only to give people a chance to register but to keep people focused on the effort and its importance.

The question now to consider is why are thousands of dollars and thousands of person hours being expended in this particular effort. To answer that question we need to break it down into three separate questions: first, why a voter registration, education, and turnout effort; second, why the Sept. 19 primary; third, why focus on Wards 4 and 5?

The voter turnout effort makes good sense for several reasons. First, it protects the identity of the individual gay person who is demonstrating his or her support. The voting booth is one closet where a person can come out to aemonstrate without fear of discovery or reprisal. Thus the large underground gay community can co-operate fully with the more visible activist community, and we can apply a much greater proportion of our real rather than just visible strength. Secondly, voting requires very little effort or sacrifice on the part of the individual,

only a few minutes of time, and therefore is something that everyone can easily do. Thirdly, for the vast majority of gay people, the act of voting is not divisive or controversial so can be pursued with a maximum degree of unity. Indeed even the straight establishment commends voting as a public spirited act, and the Boston Globe, which has become so remote from covering what is actually happening in the community that it did not note the fact that thousands of people were demonstrating in the streets last June, does notice and print election returns. Fourthly, by not pinning our hope and impact on the fate of one particular candidate or race, but rather upon a voter turnout that will impact all the races, we will emerge from this effort with greater strength and independence. Many of our problems in Boston right now stem from the fact that we are not perceived as a community of any political importance. Such an effort will forcefully correct and change such a perception.

Now let us look at why the Sept. 19 primary, especially the Democratic primary. Firstly, it is a question of numbers and strength. Far fewer people bother to vote in the primary than in the general election so that each person who does vote has a greater impact with that vote. A large minority such as the gay minority can if it turns out, have a decisive impact in a primary. Secondly for most offices in Boston, the real election is the Democratic primary. This is because there is usually either no or only token opposition to the Democratic candidate in the general election. Thus, it is mainly the Democratic primary that determines the shape of Boston politics. Any significant force in the Democratic primary is a significant force in city affairs.

The third question is why focus on Wards 4 and 5? The use of one's force in any campaign is usually the most critical decision. Achieving victory is less related to a superiority of forces than to using the forces one does have in a superior way. To cover adequately the whole city of Boston in this kind of effort would require over 1000 volunteers and tens of thousands of dollars. At the moment we have a little over a hundred volunteers and the likelihood, through the Aug. 12 rally, of raising a couple of thousand dollars. To spread these resources throughout the entire city would dissipate their effectiveness. For even if these efforts were to get the same number of gay supportive voters to the polls the impact would be less. Ten to twenty additional voters in each precinct can be ignored or attributed to some other cause, whereas one hundred to two hundred additional voters per precinct cannot be ignored. Since this effort is aimed at establishing the existence of a significant gay vote, clear visibility of this vote is a critical aspect of the plan. Wards 4 and 5 are far from arbitrary choices, however, for they offer extraordinary suitability to this kind of effort. Firstly there are large concentrations of gay men and lesbians living in these wards. In addition the nongay population tends to be far more liberal and supportive of gay people than in other sections. This means that a higher percentage of positive responses will be forthcoming in these neighborhoods. Secondly, the voter turnout in primaries in these precincts has been extremely light in the past. Thus getting the same number of people to the polls will have a far greater impact than it would in those wards with a traditionally heavier turnout. It must be pointed out, however, that gay votes are extremely important throughout the entire city even though the volunteers will be concentrating on two wards. The stronger the gay-backed candidates do city-wide, the more powerful will be the perceived size and existence

Many people throughout the community are devoting immense time and energy to this effort. If we are to reap the benefit from all this work, it requires that each of us be willing to expend that minimal energy it requires to register and to vote. Then in Boston, we can add a new date for gay celebration, Sept. 19, the day our community decided to use its strength to go out and claim for itself a great victory.

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#### tears of gay people

Re: The Denial of Admission of Holly Near to

the Cuban Festival/Conference.

On two different occasions, I, too, was denied admission to U.S. Preparatory Committee sponsored conferences. According to a committee member, who is also a friend, the committee feared that, as an openly gay political activist, 1 would most likely engage in disruptive tactics at the conference(s).

The conferences were held in Cuba and Poland. I applied for admission as a result of the suggestion of my committee member-friend, who also advised me to be as open about my gay political experiences as I would be with other kinds of political experiences - not that I intended to revert to a closet in the application

After receiving initial signs of the committee's approval of my application, I rather suddenly encountered a stone wall. Telephone inquiries about flight departure dates and visa information were met with the "so and so just stepped out" type of classicly evasive response. And letters which I sent to the U.S. Preparatory Committee offices in New York remained unanswered. Needless to say, I never reached Poland nor have I seen the sights of Havana.

The tears of gay people who live under oppressive governments, be they leftist, rightist or moderate "democracies" taste the same, I'm sure. And it's about time that sympathizers of the likes of the government of Cuba, or People's China, stop apologizing for those governments. If we could measure the gay blood that stains the hands of the Cuban rulers, I suspect that we would find no less an ocean of gay blood in the swimming pools of the military rulers of a Chile, an Argentina, or any of a number of other governments.

Sincerely,

Joe Martin Cambridge, MA

#### withers speaks

In the past couple of weeks a number of people have asked me to help with two projects they assumed I supported. One is the Elaine Noble campaign for Senate and the other is the Massachusetts Caucus for Gay Legislation's voter registration drive. I have no intention of working for the Noble campaign and I believe the conduct and intent of the voter registration drive preclude my participation.

Elaine Noble is running in the Democratic primary. As I have stated many times before, I believe that the Democratic Party is a trap for activists, a vote getting machine for big-business, warmaking and anti working-class programs. Every Democratic reform candidate elected has turned out to be a dud (Carter, Dukakis, Noble, etc.) and every attempt at "taking over" the party has been a hopeless waste of time and talents (McCarthy, McGovern, etc.).

This is not to say that individual Democratic candidates or office holders cannot be nice people. Barney Frank is a dear man, but his rotten attitude towrd MBTA workers betrays basic anti-union feelings. And Elaine Noble is one of the nicest people to ever cut a throat or stab a back. She is now presenting herself as one of the old pols, and doing well at it.

The voter registration drive currently underway is not simply a drive to register voters, which I would support, but to register people to vote in the Democratic primary, which is self-defeating. I urge people to register independent and abstain from the primaries altogether.

Politics is more than vote-getting for capitalist politicians. Politics is the art of mobilizing masses of people in actions that reflect their own interests, not the interests of the tiny ruling class. Unfortunately, at this time there are few realistic political alternatives. There is no mass party of labor based on unions and community groups and fighting for the interests of women and children. But this does not mean that we have to

be co-opted into the realpolitik of imperialism or sit on our hands and do nothing. We must continue to organize ourselves in our own groups, for recognition as an independent special-interest group.

I will be supporting and voting for the candidates of the Socialist Workers Party, not because I think they can win or can deliver us from evilbut because they also express the attitude of independent mass action and building a labor party. However, I will work with anyone, including Democrats and Republicans, who see the need for independent action. And they will, when they lose another campaign.

Sincerely,

Ken Withers **Boston** 

#### 198?

Dear People,

Just finished the anniversary issue and I feel the need to add a few footnotes to history.

After GCN #2 was printed, the staff met with graphic designer Debby Castonguay. She explained about the offset printing method and was the contact to Bob Getz and Two Penny Press.

For the subscription renewers who wanted to see more news from their region — why don't you send in the information from your area? GCN always has been open to stringers; don't gripe - get involved! If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem (or some other appropriate '60s cliche). Let the paper know and it will let everyone else know.

Finally, I was in Chicago to demostrate against the Nazis. The most repeated remark I heard from crowd members after I came out in conversation was, "Where is the gay movement???" While I spotted many gay individuals in the crowd, there was no unified sense of identification, no recognizable gay presence. Now, maybe thee and I are aware that liberation activism is dead in the name of "gay rights" and disco, but straight Jews and blacks are not. It was a rotten way for them to find out. And as for about one third of the crowd being on the side of the Nazis, I must agree. By the time the demo happened, one third of the crowd were baby-blue helmeted Chicago cops.

Nineteen eighty what??? Most sincerely

Loretta Lotman Los Angeles, CA

#### thanks nancy

Dear Nancy Walker and GCN:

As a victim of "city chauvinism" since I moved to New Hampshire I appreciated your article and the time spent with you in Contoocook on a Saturday night.

Other city sisters have seen New Hampshire as a place to get some "R and R" away from the "real revolution." All too often they fail to see that though our trenches are tree-lined our battles aren't any easier.

We are working hard and beginning to get somewhere. We are beginning to see past our individual adjustments, to rediscover our heritage. to understand our oppression and our collective strength. It's nice that you could share some of

Thanks again for your continued support.

In Struggle, Sandy Malasky

Concord, NH

#### gay and bisexual unity

Dear GCN;

I would like to respond to Walter Phillips [GCN Community Voices, July 29, 1978] who bemoans mixed gay bars as "hetero-behavior." There are, contrary to what would seem to be his opinion, many of us who do not choose our friends according to gender. Therefore, what arc we to do, if we wish to have a night out with our friends? His solution would have us go to straight bars - yet, he also complains of "changes in behavior." What of the repression of a mixed gay group in a straight bar?

As much as I loathe separatism, I admit that some of us feel the need for a segregated bar. Therefore, I am not about to call for the closing of the Saints or the Eagle, although I do not patronize either.

Rather, I feel that the majority of gay clubs should not discriminate against gays or bisexuats or any gender. In my experiences, I have found that most people have friends of both sexes, and if they are gay, should not have to put up with heterosexist (or homosexist) oppression because they do not have friends of the same sex.

Further, I maintain that separatism is a refuge for those of us who are not secure in either out sexuality or our gender. Someday, hopefully, separatism will become a thing of the past.

Looking forward to gay and bisexual unity, Caryl Haddock Roxbury, MA

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#### **Justice Bonin**

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calling the Judiciary Committee's report "fatally flawed because it went beyond and distorted the Supreme Judicial Court's finding." Sisitsky argued that the SJC could have disbarred Bonin, but did not, and that his alleged offenses "do not warrant removal."

Sen. Jack H. Backman (D-Brookline) charged that the legal establishment was "out to get" Bonin because "he was not a member of the club." Sen. James A. Kelly (D-Oxford) noted, "We could be busy all year firing similar people in Massachusetts government who are arrogant and independent."

However, Sen. David H. Locke (R-Wellesley), who led last years debates against gay rights legislation, charged that Bonin "has violated the highest standard of conduct and we cannot tolerate it." He was joined by Sen. Robert McCarthy (D-Bridgewater) and Sen. Arthur J. Lewis (D-Jamaica

The Senate voted 24-6 in favor of the bill of address.

#### **Submits Resignation**

On Wednesday morning, Bonin conceded defeat, and, rather than wait for the Executive Council to act on the bill

of address, submitted his resignation to Gov. Dukakis, who immediately accepted it.

At a press conference at his home Wednesday afternoon, Bonin espoused several theories concerning his unprecedented departure from the bench. The first was the "conspiracy" theory - that the entire legal establishment was determined to oust him from the beginning. He also complained about a "disloyal aide" - a reference to Francis X. Orfanello, the chief prosecution witness at the SJC trial, whom many believed worked to embarrass and harm Bonin. The ex-judge was also asked what part homophobia played in his tribulations.

"Homophobia played a very large part," Bonin said. "The climate for gay people in this state is not good."

Representatives Mel Kingand Barney Frank are writing to the Committee on Judicial Responsibility to ask that Boston lawyer Robert W. Meserve never be hired again for investigative purposes because of his homophobic remarks during the Bonin trial before the Supreme Judicial Court. Meserve used the terms "fairies" and "faggots" during those proceedings.

## Rep. Frank's Statement

The following is the text of a statement made by Rep. Barney Frank to the Mass. House of Representatives on July 31:

I will vote "present" on all matters concerning Chief Justice Robert Bonin.

Earlier this year, I was asked by the Boston/Boise Committee to work with them on several important civil liberties issues arising out of the District Attorney's response to certain alleged crimes. Specifically, I agreed then and now — with the Boston/Boise Committee that the use of a telephone hotline to receive unevaluated accusations from the public at large was both poor law enforcement practice, and a threat to the reputations of innocent people. I agreed further that it was essential that, once the hotline was discontinued, the unevaluated information received on that hotline be destroyed, and not be put in any dossiers. And finally I agreed that assurances should be given publicly to gay people that further indictments based on unsubstantiated charges were not in prospect.

After some negotiations by phone and letter, the District Attorney's Office essentially agreed to these points in ticipating in the decision today.

most respects. During the course of these negotiations, leaders of the Committee asked me to address a meeting they were holding in my district at the Arlington Street Church, and speak about the work I had been doing with

I did appear at the meeting, and spoke briefly at the outset about my work with the committee, and then immediately left. I did not hear any of the other speakers, and have no first-hand knowledge of what was subsequently said at the meeting. But since the circumstances surrounding Judge Bonin's attendance at the meeting is a central issue in the controversy we deal with today, I believe I should not vote.

I make no apology for attending the meeting in my capacity as a Representative, nor for my work with the Committee on these civil liberties

But in acting on this matter our standards must be judicial ones. We are passing judgement on specific facts effecting one individual, and adherence to a strict standard of absolute impartiality is demanded of all of us. Having addressed the meeting in question, with Judge Bonin in the audience, I think this standard precludes my par-

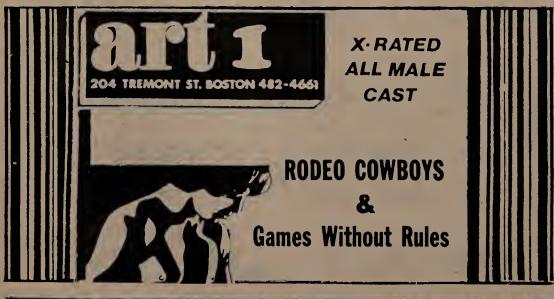


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## Women Unite, Take Back the Night Demonstration Planned in Boston

By Nancy Wechsler

BOSTON - "Women unite, take back the night" is the theme of a demonstration planned for the evening of August 26 in Boston. The march and rally is sponsored by numerous women's groups which have been concerned with issues of violence against women.

Chris Grady, an organizer of the demonstation told GCN that the idea of women marching through the streets at night to "reclaim the night" originated in England, "where quite a large demonstration took place." Since then, similar demonstrations have taken place in Washington, D.C.; Burlington, Vermont; and Pittsburgh; and are planned for Denver and other cities.

Grady said, "The demonstration is to call attention not just to night time street violence but also violence everywhere against women, including viotence in the streets, violence in the home, in the media, institutions, and the health care system."

The march begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Kenmore Square subway station and will move through the Fenway and the South End, culminating at a rally at 9:30 p.m. at Copley Square Plaza.

Demands for the demonstration include 24 hour MBTA transportation, redefinition of rape and how rape is handled in the courts, a demand that more money for transitional houses for women be provided by the state and specifically that money which is supposed to build the unit for 'violent' women at Worcester State Hospital be spent on houses of transition and alternative homes for emotionally disturbed women.

Grady told GCN why she became interested in this demonstration. "I per-

sonally am sick and tired of the violence that occurs against women everywhere. I wanted to see what could be done. The march is the beginning of this process, not the end. We see this demonstration as informing people of the issues of violence against women and to draw attention to the work that has begun and the work that still needs to be done. We hope people will go away from the August 26 march inspired and energized to do work as

A lesbian planning on going to the march told GCN that "this march is important to me for many reasons. As a woman I think it is important to express our anger and willingness to fight against the many forms of violence we face. When a woman is killed or raped at midnight it is seen as her fault for being out at night. We need to let peo-

ple know we feel wehave the right to go anywhere at anytime, and we will do what we have to do throughout the years to reclaim that right. As a lesbian I am particularly aware of abuse and ridicule I face from men because of their hostility and resentment of lesbians. I often go places late at night without men, and feel vulnerable to attack or rape.'

Sponsors of the march include Transition House (a refuge for battered women), The Coalition to Stop Instituional Violence, Combahee River Col-

tive, Prostitutes Union of Massaenusetts. Wages for Housework, Alliance Against Sexual Coercion, Committee to End Sterilization Abuse and WAVAW (Women Against Violence Against Women).





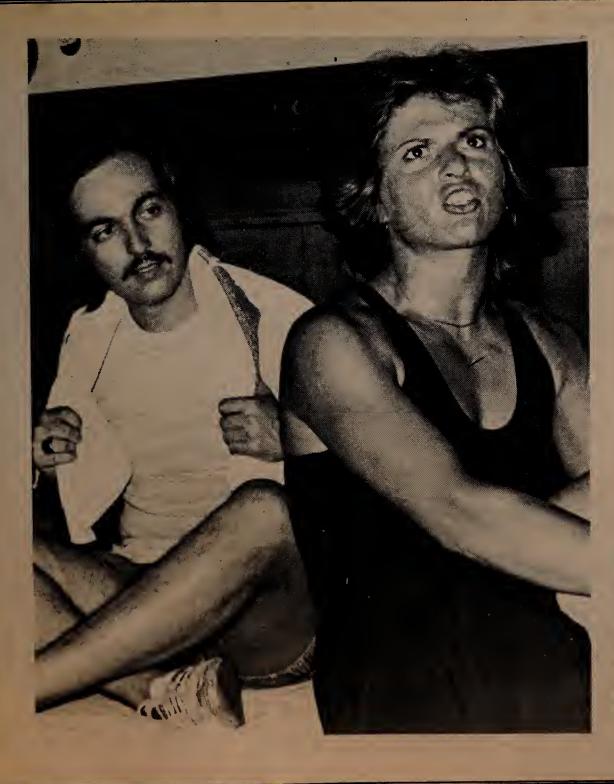






A SUCCESSFUL BARNEY FRANK NIGHT — Local politicians joined with the gay community in paying tribute to Rep. Barney Frank last Monday night at The House Restaurant in Allston. Among those in attendance were Suffolk County Sheriff Dennis Kearney, gubernatorial candidate Barbara Ackermann, Secretary

of State Paul Guzzi, and Boston City Councillor Christopher Ianella, candidate for Suffolk County District Attorney. Nearly \$5000 was raised at the dinner and disco party to benefit Frank's re-election.



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# Queer E The Politics of Viole

By Eric Rofes

On June 22, 1977, a gardener at a playground in San Francisco was returning to his apartment in the Mission District when he was besieged by four well-dressed young men shouting "faggot; faggot!" They proceeded to attack him, stabbing him 15 times in the chest and the face. Within an hour, Robert Hillsborough was dead at the age of 33.

On January 27, 1978, twenty men entered the Royal Vauxhall Tavern, a famous gay pub in London. They arrived around lunchtime, spent some time talking and drinking, then got up to leave. One of them shouted the signal: "Let's wreck this place!" Before they were done, several customers and staff people were left with cracked ribs and face fractures and the pub was in shambles.

On July 5, 1978, a gang of young men entered the Ramble in Central Park in New York City, armed with baseball bats, looking for trouble. Before they left the park, at least six men had been beaten, receiving blows on the head and the face, several of them ending the evening in Roosevelt Hospital with skull fractures.

The locations and dates above could easily be changed to fit any city or town in America and beyond. Queer bashing is not limited to single incidents or single locations: it is not an isolated phenomenon. Physical violence against gay people in general, and gay men in particular, is a common occurrence in Western Society. Men who have been gay or have appeared to be gay, have been threatened, assaulted, beaten, and murdered for many, many years.

Until recently, serious consideration of the subject of queer bashing was avoided by straight society. Newspapers ignored stories of violence against gays; the police intimidated and harassed gay men reporting attacks on them; lecturers and writers on the subject of violence would discuss rape, murder, and assault against women, blacks and the elderly, but the subject of queer bashing was virtually untouched. Only when an incident occurred in the Central Park Ramble, and only when one of the victims was a man of some prominence and power (Dick Button, a sportscaster and former ice-skating champion), did the media confront the subject. The Village Voice squeezed two sensationalized cover stories from the incident; The New York Times and New York Magazine also included cover stories on the violence in the Ramble; local television and radio stations milked the story for all it was worth. Violence against gays was finally a marketable

What is misleading in the coverage of the issue is that many reporters see the "Ramble Rampage" as an isolated incident. Little mention has been made of the queer bashing that goes on regbe gay, unless the crime is specifically provoked by the belief that the victim is homosexual, the incident is not a case of queer bashing. The Soho-News reports that the Mayor's office in New York City maintains that the police have not characterized the Ramble beatings as specifically anti-gay. The New York Times reported the police statement that there was evidence" that any of the men beaten in the rampage were attacked specifically because they were homosexual. Unless there are witnesses that have heard anti-gay remarks from the attackers, or the attackers admit to "tracking down fags," violence against gays appears like violence against any person: senseless, anonymous, vicious.

Queer bashing takes many forms, much like the act of rape against women manifests itself in different ways. \_Queer bashing is almost an entirely male activity, frequently occurring when a group or gang of young men upon what appears to be a gay man on the street. Other times it occurs as the act of an individual, who goes to a bar, picks someone up and, back at home, becomes violent, sometimes after a sex act has occurred. Queer-bashing is usually anonymous; sometimes, when a person is known to be gay, he is taunted, threatened and finally assaulted.

While queer bashing is the major act of physical violence that is brought on gay people, there are several other kinds of anti-gay violence. Non-physical harassment, including name-calling, threats, and blackmailing often precede physical violence. Attacks on the property of gay people are also common. A gay man from South Bos-

unsatisfactory, experiences with the police and do not trust them. Gay men report previous attempts to report violent crimes to the police that have resulted in harassment. Other men fear their job may be in jeopardy because they legally may be fired if they are known to be gay. Another group of gay men fear that if they report the crime to the police they will be arrested solely because they are gay.

After listening to the experiences of gay men who have been attacked and have reported the crime to the police, it is not surprising that they are reluctant to go to the authorities a second time. One man in Chicago went directly to the police after he had a run-in with a gang on Chicago's South Side. Not only did the police downplay the incident (since there were no broken bones, he was told that he "got off lucky"), but he was told that he brought the incident upon himself by "walking like a fag."

Since the reporting of many cases of queer-bashing would involve a person admitting being in a gay cruising area or bar, many men do not report assaults for fear of embarassment and exposure. New York Magazine (July 24, 1978) reports a 56 year old businessman, married, the father of two sons, who was attacked last winter by three young men in a cruising area in Central Park. After receiving sixteen stitches in his head from the emergency room at Bellevue, he went home and 'old his wife that he "fell down an embankment."

#### Who Are the Queer Bashers?

Fred Burdue of the San Francisco Study Center reports that "people are generally surprised at who is attacking them" in cases of queer bashing. One person who was knifed off Castro Street in San Francisco described his assailants as being three clean-cut white youths in white t-shirts. Burdue has generally found that the queer bashers in his study tend to be young, white men from middle class backgrounds.

Dr. John Money, a professor of medical psychology at John Hopkins and head of its Gender Identity Clinic, discussed the motivation behind queer bashing in an interview with New York Magazine. Money stated that, "In every case of this type I've seen in 30 years of work in this field, I have found such young men, on the one hand, attracted to homosexuality and acting it out. On the other, they try to destroy it. I call this the 'exorcist syndrome'."

Money's theory seems to fit the experience of many queer bashers, particularly those who have come out after their adolescent years. Jim Parisi, a New York gay man in his late twenties, candidly discussed his early years spent "beating up faggots." Parisi told GCN, "I guess I was so afraid of people knowing the truth about me that I had to prove I wasn't a fag by beating up the fags in the neighborhood.". Parisi grew up in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn, near Coney Island. From the time he was 14 until he left the neighborhood at the age of 17, Parisi and his "crowd" beat up men who appeared effeminate. Some of these men were their classmates in high school. Other men were total strangers. "We would never make a decision to

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go out and beat up the fags," Parisi explained. "But if we were walking down the street and some guy passed that looked 'queer', we'd let him have it"

Some of the incidents that Parisi realled were frightening to imagine. One man who was walking down a main street in Brooklyn early in the evening, wearing a "feminine" shirt and some kind of high heels, was surrounded by Parisi and six of his friends, taunted, slapped around, stripped of all clothing, and burnt with cigarettes and matches. Another man was beaten, kicked, and cut with a broken bottle. During a beating, the gang would frequently aim punches at a man's genital area and taunt him with taunts such as "he doesn't have a cock, he's got a cunt." Parisi recalls threats that were made to "shove objects up the assholes" of some of these men, but does not recall the threat ever getting carried out.

When asked about his feeling about his queer bashing days, Parisi becomes justifiably defensive. While he believes gay people should be able to walk the streets free from violence or threats, he still believes that "no one should walk around looking like a fag."

Wearing his hair short and his moustache trimmed, Parisi prefers to dress in a macho mold. He seems to still harbor hostility towards men who are not "masculine." Recalling his

#### Men who bash queers serve as the "front-line masculine shock troops, terrorist guerrillas" in the war against homosexuals.

ularly in other parts of New York: Chelsea, on 42nd Street, the back-streets of the West Village and on the Upper West Side. Furthermore, little mention has been made about similar incidents that occur in the Fenway in Boston, on New Haven's Magic Blok, in San Francisco's Folsom Street area, in Golden Gate Park, in Chicago's Lincoln Park, in Atlanta, Denver, Phoenix, Montreal, London, Paris, Madrid. . . . Queer bashing is a universal activity that extends well beyond the night of July 5th in Central Park.

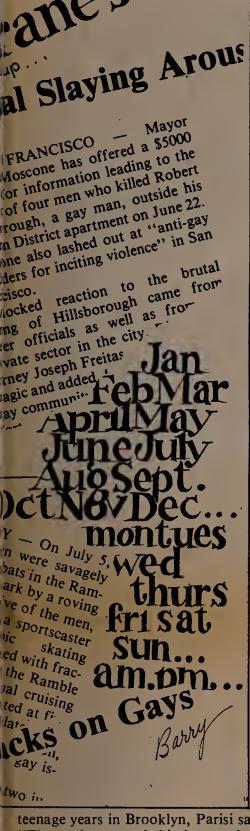
#### Defining Queer Bashing

Queer bashing involves physical violence against a person accompanied by verbal recognition that the person is thought to be gay. While any person attacked on the street may happen to ton, who had lived in the neighborhood his entire life, woke one morning to find his car windows and lights smashed in, his tires slashed, and the word FAG written in red paint on his windshield.

windshield.

There is no accurate way of estimating the frequency of queer bashing. Most incidents are not reported to the police for various reasons. Fred Burdue of the San Francisco Study Center is working on a project called The Gay Crime Study: Unreported Crimes Against Gays. The study is attempting to focus on "crimes that go unreported to the police and why they go unreported." At this point in the project Burdue believes the major reason gay people do not report crimes against them is because they have had previous

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teenage years in Brooklyn, Parisi said, "Those days are behind me, thank God. It was the only way I could deal with myself in Brooklyn, by going along with the crowd. I feel bad that I joined in the beatings but if I didn't they'd call me queer too. I couldn't have taken that."

Another ex-queer basher, Jack Olson, grew up in Chicago, did his share of queer bashing, got married, and is now living in Chicago's North Shore suburbs with his wife and two children. Olson stresses the issue of peer pressure as the cause of his participation in violence against gay men:

I never really wanted to do any of it (the queer bashing). Actually, I know I never hit anyone like I pretended I did. What would happen is, the whole gang would be hanging around and some feminine guy would walk by and someone would say "let's get the fag!" We'd all surround the guy, scare him half to death, and rough him up a little. I usually just poked him in the ribs, but later I'd brag about the punches I threw . . . I won't say it was right of us to do it, but it was part of growing up in my neighborhood.

Olson's queer bashing days ended in his early twenties when he "got a real job" and settled down. When asked if he harbors any homosexual feelings himself, Olson claims to have never considered gay relationships for himself. He maintains that he has never been sexually involved with a man and, furthermore, "I wasn't doing it because I was a homosexual, but because everyone else was doing it."

Queer Bashing as Social Control

The real explanation for the crime of queer bashing goes beyond the psychological make-up of a few individuals and well beyond the issue of peer pressure. Geoffrey Pearson, in an article entitled *In Defense of Hooliganism*, explains queer bashing among working-class British youth as simply an example of "scapegoating" and "the heterosexual chauvinism of working-class culture." This explanation removes queer bashing from its proper context as a tool of social repression.

As rape against women is directly related to rampant degradation, objectification, and oppression of women by patriarchal society, queer bashing is the direct extension of the anti-homosexual sentiment, laws, and socialization that remain prevalent in 1978. In fact, as gay people begin to fight for basic rights and refuse to be intimidated by legislative and judicial defeats, the incidents of direct physical violence against gays seem to be escalating. While Fred Burdue of the San Francisco Study Center is hesitant to confirm this, he does report "a feeling from people reporting crimes that they are more frequent now than they were a few years ago." Because of media coverage of gay cruising areas, Burdue finds more and more queer bashers who come to these areas, looking for a fag to assault.

Many people prefer to isolate queer bashing from societal attitudes towards viewing homosexuality, physical violence as the work of psychotics who lose control. Even when the killers of a gay man are reported to have shouted "This one's for Anita!", Ms. Bryant is able to assuage her feelings of guilt by maintaining that she has never advocated physical violence against gays. Dr. John Money, however, is able to make the important connection between the attitudes towards gay people in the media and the attitudes and actions of individuals within a society:

There are so many signals from the home, the school, the church — and from media — which make homosexuality the daily butt of television humor and have given such publicity to Anita Bryant and her gays-are-child-molesters campaign as to legitimize her views in the eyes of our youth. . . . So, when teenagers see something evil about themselves, one way to get rid of the evil is to destroy it.

While the act of violence against a homosexual may not be openly condoned by society, the societal attitudes towards homosexuals provide solid ideological support for queer bashing.

It is important to realize, also, that queer bashing is not only an issue for gay men, but an issue of concern to all men. A man does not have to actually be gay in order to be the target of antigay violence. Any man — gay or straight — who falls outside acceptable guidelines of male behavior, risks being the victim of queer bashers. This behavior could include wearing nontraditional male dress, walking in certain styles, showing physical affection to another man, or performing nontraditional male activities. A queer basher is not going to take the time to question a man's sexuality. If the behavior makes it "apparent" that a man is queer, that is all the evidence that is needed to proceed.

What is it about a man walking down a street in women's clothes or with "effeminate" mannerisms that angers so many other men? Many people rely on the traditional gender distinctions to provide them with a certain role in their lives. The traditional distinctions between men and women have cast men into the role of aggressor, decision-maker, money-maker, protector: the person with physical, financial and political power. When a man is seen flouting this role (not being as "butch" and "commanding" as men are expected to be), he calls into question the assumption that these gender roles are inherent or "natural." An unmasculine man walking down the street forces other men to confront (consciously as well as subconsciously) many uncomfortable aspects of themselves: gentleness, weakness, warmth, vulnerability.

Even more threatening to men than confronting repressed aspects of their character is the reality of a man who has broken away from the "Universal Brotherhood of Men." Men who break certain "rules" of manly behavior by loving other men, by growing long hair, by wearing dresses, by wiggling instead of swaggering - become traitors to the Brotherhood. They are the rebels who have started to give up the power and privilege that accompanies the male sex. They are similar to the gang member who voices a dissenting opinion and is told "you're either with us or against us." By transgressing beyond the acceptable regimentation of male behavior, a man makes himself vulnerable to the anger of other men who support and thrive on machismo. In this way, the obvious "queer" performs a courageous and revolutionary role: he is responsible for a direct and powerful attack on the patriarchal power structure.

An analysis of queer bashing would not be complete without mention of the role that the hatred of women, or characteristics that are associated with women, plays in violence against gay men. This is apparent when during the actual incident of queer beating, a man is taunted with "he doesn't even have a cock, he's got a cunt." This is the clear equating of the penis with value and power and the degrading of the vagina as powerless and shameful. An

ior, he must be discouraged. Socialization is one of the best tools that patriarchal society has in discouraging certain kinds of behavior. When socialization does not "work", there are legal statutes that further discourage the breakdown of gender distinction laws concerning men wearing dresses, "impersonating females," having sexual relations with men. If socialization and laws do not keep the system rigid, then something else is needed to keep men in their place. Queer bashing, or direct physical violence against unmasculine men, is the final and most effective way of maintaining the gender-role status quo.

A world without queer bashers would be a world where men could walk down the street without fear. Men could look, dress, speak, and act as they choose, without the possibility of assault. Men could appear holding hands, kissing, walking affectionately, without the threat of violence. That queer bashing occurs — even if a man has not experienced it first-hand — is enough to make all men victims of it. The awareness that, at any time, in any place, you might be attacked because of a certain kind of behavior, is sufficient to intimidate and repress the queer in all of us.

In this way queer bashing, as rape against women, functions as a tool of social control. The threat of rape is enough to keep women off the streets at night, fearful of men that may follow, intimidated by a knock on the door. Rape is also a crime that goes unreported because of the embarrassment and fear of the victim. Police authorities have been hostile to rape victims as well as victims of queer bashing, blaming the victim for "walking in that part of town" or dressing in certain styles. And rape is an extension of societal attitudes towards women, the rampant hatred and objectification of women as queer bashing is an extension of societal attitudes towards homosexuals.

The crimes of violence against women and violence against gays separate with the inclusion of the forced sexual act against women, the use of the penis as the violent weapon. Also while men are only attacked for stepping beyond traditional male behavior or because they are known to be homosexual, the rapist attacks all women, regardless of

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"effeminate" man is not only the target of the anger of other men, but also becomes a focus for their hatred, since men have been socialized to react to "effeminacy" with disgust and repulsion.

If any power structure is going to survive for any length of time, it must have a built-in security system which monitors and discourages transgressors. For patriarchy to survive as a system which gives the greatest power to straight, white men, it must have a way to make certain that gender distinctions remain clear. When a man begins to defy the rules of masculine behav-

age, race, class, and physical appearance or style. While homosexuals often "butch it up" and attempt to protect themselves against queer bashers by passing for straight, women — by the sheer fact they are biologically women — are vulnerable to the attack of the rapist.

Queer bashers have been extraordinarily successful, more successful than Anita Bryant, John Briggs, or Garrett Byrne. The gang of youths who killed Robert Hillsborough, the men who attacked faggots in the Central Park Ramble, or the gang on your street cor
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## **ODYSSEY OF A UNICORN**

By Nancy Walker

When I am not at GCN, I work for a semblance of a living. My job is not steady, but neither is it predictably seasonal, so we have a situation like "It never rains but it pours." Lately it has been a torrent, and I have worked on some occasions from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. or even midnight, so I was sure my eyes were playing tricks (no pun intended) on me when, as I descended the stairs at the Boylston stop on the MBTA Green Line at 10:20 p.m. on July 11, I thought I saw two young men touching each other with somewhat more than locker room intimacy. I blinked, certain of my error and contemplated taking a day off from work. But as I got to the bottom of the steps, I saw that there were indeed two young men being openly and unquestionably affection-

They sat down on a bench, one on the other's lap, and proceeded to neck rather heavily. My immediate responses were mixed. I was startled because this was much more than mere hand holding. Usually, I am discomforted when straight couples exhibit in public what I would do only in private, not out of shame, of course, but out of a sense of personal dignity. But then, I do not even discuss most aspects of my personal life, let alone do anything torrid in plain view. In any case, for me, there is a certain unease involved in witnessing the interchange of openly sexual activity between two people of any sexual orientation, so initially I was rather taken aback when I saw these two young men.

It dawned on me simultaneously that this entire performance was being given before a presumably hostile audience, and I wondered just what I could possibly do to help them if they

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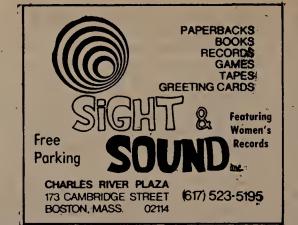
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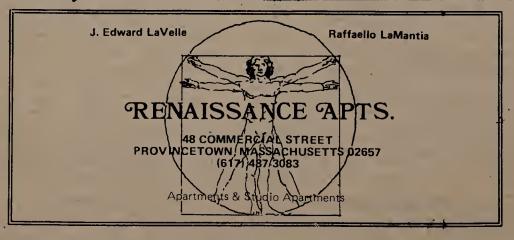


were attacked. Imagine the chutzpah - me, throwing my imposing bulk between them and liquidation. I would be Wonder Woman without her magic bracelets, heroine, self-sacrificed beside the trolley tracks . . . Of course, there was no need for melodramatic fantasies. Nothing happened. No nasty comments. No menacing gestures. Zero. Zilch. Nada.

In fact, the man sitting on the other end of their bench looked at the gays once and sat up stiffly, eyes forward, probably wishing that his train had already come.

When the fellows' train arrived, and they boarded it, I stood up watching it pull out. I caught their attention and smiled and waved to them. They understood.





Throughout this brief encounter, the major question underlying all my speculation was: why were these young men behaving in this obviously very unusual, perhaps dangerous, surely provocative way? Were they thumbing their noses at the straight world, and at conventional people of all persuasions? Were they deliberately seeking out a brutal experience? Was their passion so burning that they couldn't contain themselves, even at the "T" stop? Was it simply youthful high spirits? Or was it a well-planned, carefully thought-out political action?

By the time they left, I had concluded that all the whys and wherefores didn't matter a damn. Whatever their conscious motivation, they had great courage. It requires extreme bravery to do whatever one wants to do in public, if one happens to be unlike the major-



ity. It is far easier to hide, to dissemble, to maintain decorum - even as I do. I was absolutely convinced that something very special had occurred that evening, and though I do not advocate it (we must all do what we can in our own way), I do admire it.

Anything anyone does, at any time and in any place, is a political act. There is no way out of that. I was pleased and surprised at the non-reaction from the other onlookers at the subway stop. Maybe the straight world is neither as hostile nor as concerned as we sometimes believe.

There is an interesting post script to all this. As always, on that Tuesday night, I walked into my apartment with my mouth going full-blast, and immediately told my dear, patient lover the whole story. On the following Friday, as she and I were about to cross Boylston Street from the bank where I had just cashed my GCN check against the background of ever-so-slightly raised evebrows (I enjoy that immensely) to the Star Market in the Prudential Center, who should I see approaching us but the two young men of MBTA fame. I babbled to my much bemused lover, "there they are!" and made a flying tackle at those two unsuspecting innocents. I grabbed them, found out that their names are Ken and Doug, and that they always behave that way in public. They do what they do because they feel like doing it, not for any ulterior motives. No political campaigning, no desire to "offend" our oppressors. They said that they never

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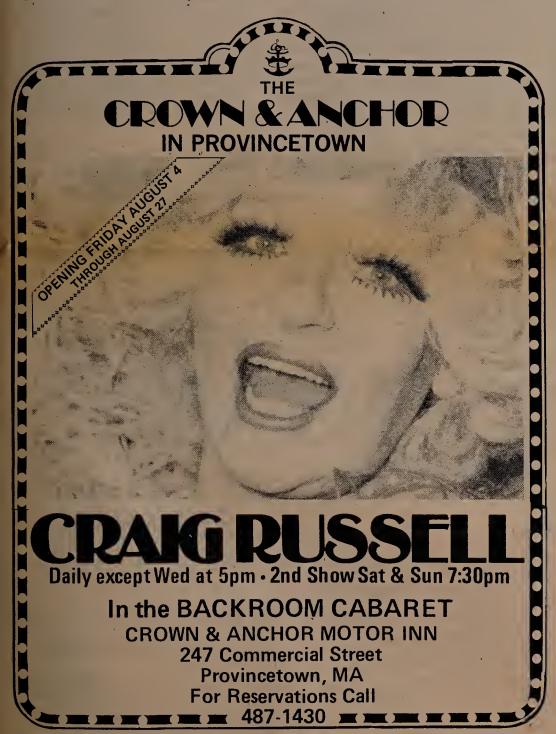
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ner who harass and threaten "queers" and women, have been the most effective tool of repression and anti-gay violence that every man experiences first-hand, every day of his life. To borrow from Susan Brownmiller's analysis of the rapist, men who bash queers serve as the "front-line masculine shock troops, terrorist guerrillas" in the war against homosexuals.

By inhibiting our true feelings and by disguising our "queerness" in public, we make the actions of the queer basher totally effective. A queer basher's goal is to wipe homosexuals off the face of the earth and, by walking through any crowded city street, the effectiveness of the queer basher may be judged. It is only by taking the risk to be ourselves — if that means holding hands in public, wearing a skirt, wearing a button stating GAY — that we actively fight back the violence against us. Vigilante groups of gays that patrol gay cruising areas, such as the Butterfly Brigade that functioned in San Francisco's Castro Street area and S.M.A.S.H. in New York's Chelsea neighborhood, can serve only a limited



function: protecting gay men within one specific neighborhood. The attack on queer bashing must go beyond geographical boundries; it must go beyond the control of violent individuals. Queer bashing will cease to exist only when the culture has ceased to produce, encourage, and condone antihomosexual, and anti-woman attitudes. The radical transformation of society, into a place where people can be safe from physical and mental violence will bring us a world free of rapists and free of queer bashers.



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have any bad reactions from bystanders.

They were delightful, open individuals, and didn't seem to mind my cross-examining them, or my telling them that they were going to find themselves on the pages on GCN.

Perhaps the good vibrations they give off really do affect those near them. If hostility or anger radiated from them, others would respond to that. As it is, what they project is love and kindness, and maybe that does more than stump-speeches. Who

On the same day that we first spoke to them, my lover and I bumped into

Ken and Doug again at Government Center (nowhere near the area of our initial meeting), and I met them on the Friday night of the recent heat-wave as I was staggering home from work. My lover saw them on her way to meet me the very evening on which I am typing this column. They always leave a happy feeling in their wake. Love and peace to you, Ken and Doug.

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## Radical Chic

**Ruling Passions** 

by Tom Driberg, Baron Bradwell. 270 pp. Stein & Day. \$11.95.

Reviewed by Robert Etherington

The headstones marking the ancient graves of Vikings frequently have carved on one side pious Christian symbols and on the other side invocations to various pagan deities - a classic example of bet-hedging. A similar phenomenon exists in a more political context: what is now called Radical Chic, the desire to enjoy a privileged political and social position while simultaneously assuaging one's guilt about that position by joining or supporting radical political causes. A near perfect example of such hypocrisy is Ruling Passions, the memoirs of British journalist, Labour M.P. and ardent homosexual Tom Driberg, Baron Bradwell. Though proclaiming himself a Communist (Russophile variety), Lord Driberg spent his life enjoying the company of the rich and powerful whose names pepper his memoirs. Indeed, every mention of Communism is invariably accompanied by dozens of gossipy allusions to this, that and the other Grand Personage with whom Driberg dined or at whose country estates Driberg stayed, thereby trying to keep his feet planted in both the Communist and 'apitalist camps.

Of course, the desire to frolic in cafe ociety is not necessarily wicked. If, lowever, such a desire is combined

with Communism — having one's cake and eating it too — then one's sincerity and philosophical consistency must surely be questioned. Driberg lamely tries to explain away his love for both high and low society by remarking that just because he was Communist he didn't have to starve. But is it not fundamentally hypocritical to profess concern for the poverty of the workers while happily consuming caviar and champagne supplied by those who are at least partly responsible for that poverty?

With his chic radicalism, Lord Driberg was very much of his time, place and class. In Britain in the years between the two World Wars those spoiled young people known as The Bright Young Things or The Children of the Sun embraced that which was called Communism and proclaimed Moscow their Mecca. Needless to say, most of them had never read Marx, knew not the first thing about what Communism really was and were largely ignorant of what was actually happening in Russia. But these were thought to be only minor shortcomings in the Grand Rebellion against Victorian manners and mores. Driberg, himself the Oxford educated son of a prosperous family, was an eager member of this rebellion, so eager indeed that he happily joined the Communist Party. His motives, however, were not limited to scandalizing his elders but also included the fact that "through the Party I was at last





Lord Driberg (top left) in society, both "high" . , . and "low"

able to meet . . . males of the working class." Thus, for Driberg the Party was at first little more than a glorified dating service (though surely not a useful one since the membership of the Party, then as now, was largely middle, not working class).

Over the years, Driberg's attachment to both working class studs and the Communist cause increased so that, in the end, he became what Orwell called a "transposed nationalist," rejecting British in favor of Russian chauvinism (though, of course, without abandoning his love for the good life).

Obviously, Driberg's homosexuality and his attraction to butch proletarians aren't objectionable in themselves. It is, however, profoundly offensive that he ultimately translated his sexual orientation into Russophilia, despite the fact that the Russian government was then and is now nothing if not homophobic and homosexuals are greatly persecuted wherever Stalinists acquire authority. Yet even as late as the 1950s, long, long after people of sense recognized Russia as a social fascist state, Driberg is found fawning over Khrushchev while interviewing the

dictator for a British paper, asking leading questions designed to "prove" that the Russian press is free, the Party leaders are chosen democratically, and the few "errors" of Stalinism have all been rectified. Not once does Driberg discuss the obvious contradiction between his defense of homosexuality and his attachment to the Soviet Union, nor the equally great contradiction between his Communist beliefs and the pleasure he derived from hobnobbing with the rich and powerful. But then, such blindness is characteristic of those who have embraced Radical Chic.

Lord Driberg and his Ruling Passions remind me of a silly character created by Disraeli in the novel Tancred: a great and noble | Peer who was, for all his wealth and power, a fierce radical, determined to abolish all hereditary titles — except his own.

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By Lee Stone

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Elaine Noble has been working hard to gain back some of the support she lost in the gay community when she side-stepped the Revere Cases and voted in nonprogressive ways on several

thousand people milling about in the course of the evening sampling the free champagne and munching on the snacks and cold salads. Much of-the credit goes to Joanna Lee, who organized the entire event, from the finely

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important issues. All that seems to be behind her, judging from the crowded cruise on the S.S. Provincetown. There was a good cross-section of women, men and third world people. They represented every spectrum of the gay community from the president of the Boston Vikings to N.O.W. member lesbians. It was by no means all politics, as there was hardly a sober soul who walked off the ship on its return.

Barney Frank's evening was also quite a success, and no wonder...no warmer person and no greater supporter of human rights and champion of the people exists. When he's needed, he's there on the front line and the lesbian and gay people of Boston owe him this wonderful fund raiser at Tony Bosco's House Restaurant. If you missed this one, Bob White will be hosting another at the Randolph Country Club on Sat., Aug. 5. Call Randolph for further information.

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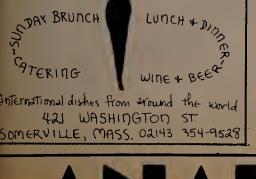
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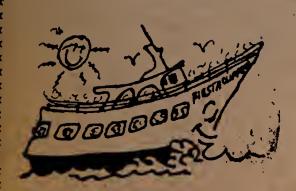




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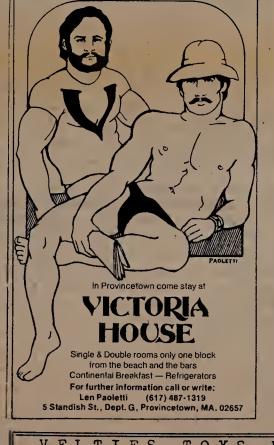
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#### ARTHUR EIZE

Tote that barge, lift that bale, the hours we keep should put us in jail. But we'll cry all the way to the bank. Couldn't we arrange to get people who can recite the alphabet??? Ansa.

I'm a sincere level headed hardworking GWF also Bi very interest in becoming involved in permanent lifestyle pattern with Gay woman and child age no differ have teen ager love children no drugs love to drink no gay bars love going out I'm lonesome not desperate. Please answer soon but be honest no stupid. Send photo if possib. This could be good for both familles if no children into havin one. There must be someone with my same needs. GCN Box 926.

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"KATIE"

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GM 31 looking for place for Sept. 1, seeks roommate to find apt. together. Prefer Allston or Camb. Call Andy 731-8824 mornings 8-10.

GWM 30 sks rmate 2 share large, modern 2 br apt in Malden Sq. (12 min 2 Pru or 2 blocks 2 MBTA.) \$130 per mo includes h hw elec. 324-7057.

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able unfancy So. End duplex on Park w/view of trees nr Pru T. own Ig rm has pm sun Ig closet furn if needed. Share bath w/1. Co-tenants are bookish talkative GWM early 40s + female mid 30s, non home body. Both reasonably intelligent, congenial supportive people. One is nonsmoker. Other is stopping. Pets & drugs are out. Rent is 135.00/mo incl all but phone. Avail Sept. 1. Call 536-1711 eves 6-8 only, please.

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2 GMs seek 3rd as roommate. 1 lg rm empty @ 35/wk incl util & tel. Lg nice furn w/f.p. & kit. On the Hill. Call 723-5990 for info. Thanx.

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Would like a few brothers ("jocks" or otherwise - I go both ways) to corresoond with. I am G/W/28 brown hair, blue yes, 5'10", 180 lbs, fair complexion. I am "true" Scorpio and am extremely pasionate and horny. There is no censorhip here—by right of the Federal Court. lean J. McKeever, Wisconsin State rison clo Box C Drawer 8841, Waupun, BiBM 30, 6'1", 160, very act. serving 1 yr. Sexually competent, I can handle It, believe me. Jesse Bowden, Box 366, Bridgewater, MA 02324.

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33, 5'111/2", 175, brwn eyes, blk hair. Looking for someone to reach out to me. Jerry Brown 145-813, P.O. Box 45699 Lucasville, OH 45699.

Will answer all letters. Doug Binner 147-950, P.O. Box 69, London, OH 43140.

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Box 69, London, OH 43140. There's more to me than the things I've said & more to you than the things yet untold; life is about growing old

time is on our side to the end of the line come on, be a friend of mine

James McInnis 053587, 16-113, P.O. Box 747, Starke, FL 32091. 31, black, 5'10" 175, needs someone to love. Bud Rogan 133-558, P.O. Box 45699,

Lucasville, OH 45699. GBM, 30, 5'11", 180, brn complexion, brn eyes. Expecting to be released in 6 mos. Will ans all letters. Willie Lincoln 018806, K-2-N-12, P.O. Box 747, Starke, FL 32091

5'11", 155, black hair, brn eyes. Sidney Davis 010501; W-3-N-8, P.O. Box 747 Starke, FL 32091.

Black M, 22, very lonely, needs friends. Will ans all. David M. Harris 144-405, P.O. Box 45699, Lucasville, OH 45699.

Black male prisoner seeks correspondence. Will ans. all. Willie Valentine 039293, P.O. Box 221 S.W.U., Raiford, FI 32083, D-71-120.

GWM 18, nobody to write to, rejected by family for being gay, will write to anyone who cares to correspond. 6', 170, It brn hr, green eyes and friendly. Norman Dean 021832, P-3-N-8, P.O. Box 747, Starke, FL

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GWM, black hair, brown eyes, 5'8", 160, 21 yrs. Willie Rawlins, A-029762, P-1-S-14, P.O. Box 747, Starke, FL 32091.

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12 noon - Northeastern U. GSO meeting, Eli Center, rm. 349, 369 Huntington Ave., Boston. Everyone welcome.

5:30pm - Women's Community Health Center open house, 137 Hampshire St., Cambridge. - NH Lambda for Lesbians, phone (603)

- Lesbian awareness consciousnessraising group. BU Women's Center, basement of Sherman Union Bldq. 353-4240.

6:30-8pm — Alcoholism discussion/education group for lesbians, 20 Sacramento St., Cambridge, MA, 661-1316.

6:30-8:30pm — Gay Health Services by appointment, Fenway Community Health Center, 16 Haviland St., Boston, 267-7573.

7pm — Gay alcoholics group, 10 Walnut St., Worcester, MA.
7.9pm — Supportive lesbian rap, Janus House, 21

Bay St., Cambridge, (617) 661-2537. - U. of Vermont Gay Switchboard,

7.10pm - UMass Gay Women's Caucus Hotline,

7-9pm - Yggdrasil Gay Gathering at Yggdrasil, 15 Gilbert Rd., Storrs, CT, (203)486-4737 7:30pm — UMass Amherst, Bisexual Women's Rap Group, Campus Center.

7:30pm — Lesbian Feminist Union meeting, 55 Eddy St., Providence, RI. 7:30pm — Homophile Community Health Service

 Drinking problems rap group,
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8pm—Monadnock Area Gays, for information call Fitzwilliam, NH (603) 585-9419.

8pm - Lesbian Rap at Women's Center, 215 Park 8pm — GPC business meeting, Columbia U.,

Furnald Basement, Broadway at 115th St. 8pm - Lesbian Rap at Women's Center, 148

Orange St., New Haven, CT. 8:30pm — Gay Alanon (gay alcoholics). Info. 843-5300.

8:30pm — Hartford Gay Alcoholics Group, (203) 8:30pm — Gay Alliance at Yale, open meeting,

basement Hendrie Hall, 165 Elm St., New Haven. 436-8945; public welcome. 9pm — Gay discussion group, Columbia U.,

6:30pm - Women Against Violence Against Women meeting. Cambridge Women's Center. 6:30-8pm - Women's Gay Collective, Women's Center, UConn, CT. (203)486-4738.

7:00pm — Gay Prisoner Support Committee, 339 Lafayette St. at Bleeker, NYC

7pm - Pot Luck Supper, 2281/2 Atwells Ave., Providence, RI. 7:30pm — Integrity, gay Episcopalians, Emmanuel

Church, 15 Newbury St., Boston. 8pm — Springfield Gay Alliance, First Unitarian Church, 245 Porter Lake Dr., Springfield. 8pm — Martha's Vineyard Gay Women & Men's

Rap Group; info and details call 627-8097. 8pm — DOB women's rap, 1151 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, MA, 661-3633.

8:30pm — Providence Gay Group of AA, Assumption Parish Hall, 791 Potters Ave., Providence, RI,333-1396. 8:30pm — Deaf lesbians and gay men are invited to meet other deaf and hearing gays who know

131 Cambridge St., Boston 8:30pm — Gay A.A. 33-1396

(or are learning) sign. MCC, Old West Church.

WEDNESDAYS munity Health Center, 16 Haviland St., Boston,

7pm - MCC/Providence Potluck at Parsonage, rap during and after dinner. Bring and share. (401) 272-9247.

7pm - Lesbian Support Group, UNH Women's Center, Durham, NH 7pm — Liberation Rap Group, (617) 756-0730.

7-10pm — Gay Women's Collective meeting. Storrs, CT. Info: (203) 486-4738. 7-10pm - Gay Women's Collective, UConn Wo-

men's Center, (203) 486-4738. 7-10pm - Gay Women's Collective meeting, Storrs, CT. Info. (203) 486-4738.

7-9pm — University of Vermont Gay Switchboard, (802) 656-4173 7:30pm — MCC midweek service, 11 Amity St.,

8pm - Discussion group for lesbians and gay men, Christ Church, 20 Carroll St., Poughkeepsie, NY

8pm - HUM meets, Box 262, Fitchburg, MA Yalesbians meeting, rm. B-8, Hendrie

Hall, 165 Elm St., New Haven, CT, 436-8945. To update your listing or to put a new listing into Every-week send info to Listings Editor, GCN, 22 Bromfield St., Boston 02108.

8-10pm - URI Gay Social Club, 4th floor Group Room, Roosevelt Hall. (401) 792-5954 or Carl

8:30pm — Gay A.A. meeting. Old West Church (slde door). 131 Cambridge St.

6:30pm - G.A.A. Gay Movement Committee, 339 Lafayette St., NYC

Worcester, MA. 7m - Game Night, 5 Junction St., Providence,

7-10pm - UMass Gay Women's Caucus Hotline, 7:30pm—Daughters of Bilitis. Gay women's rap at

the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Mass. Ave., Cambridge. For more information call

7:30pm — G.A.A. Executive Committee, 339 Lafay-

8pm — Lesbian Liberation, informal rap group Woman's Center, 46 Pleasant St. Cambridge,

11 Amity St., Hartford, CT. 8pm — Capital Dist. Gay Comm. Council, 332 Hudson Ave., Albany, NY 12210.

8pm — Dykes & Tykes, Women's Center, 46 Pleasant St., Cambridge, MA, third floor, care for

Cambridge, MA, 661-2537. 8pm - Lesbians with Children Support Group,

herst, 8th floor of Campus Center 8:30pm — Gay Alliance at Yale, Hendrie Hall basement, 436-8945, New Haven, CT.

8:30pm — G.A.A. General Meeting, 339 Lafayette 9pm — Emerson Homophile Society, rm. 24, 96

#### FRIDAYS

Beacon St., Boston.

7-8:30pm — GRAC swimming, Lindemann Cntr. Staniford St., across from Longfellow Towers. 7-9pm — GRAC men's basketball, Lindemann

8pm - Am Tikva service, social at Frost Lounge, Ell Center, Northeastern Univ., 300 Huntington Ave., Boston,

193 Middle St., Portland, ME. 7:30pm — Gay get-together, downstairs round-room, Billings Center, U of VT, Burlington.

8:30pm - Gay A.A. meeting, 150 Beacon St., 2nd

meets at 175 Wendell Ave., Pittsfield, MA. Call (617) 442-9450, M-Th eves.

8:30pm — Alcoholics Together, Our Lady of Victory Church, Isabella St., Boston. 9-12pm - GAY coffeehouse, Hendrie Hall basement, 165 Elm St., New Haven, CT.

SATURDAYS 2pm — Project Lambda Rap session for gay teen-

agers, 70 Charles St., Boston. 3-6pm — Gay folk dancing for women and men, Peabody room, 3rd floor, Phillips Brooks House (north end of Harvard Yard). Call Eric (617)

#### 776-6377.

9am - Closet Space 740AM with Lisa Schwartz and Joe Martin. (Boston)

11am - Church of the Beloved Disciple, 348 West 14th St., NYC. 1-2:30pm — GRAC swimming, Lindemann Cntr, Staniford St., across from Longfellow Towers. 2pm - Church of the Beloved Disciple, 348

West 14th St., NYC. 2pm - MCC/Worcester service, Central Cong. Church, 6 Institute Rd., Worcester. 2:30pm — Gay A.A. meeting, Old West Church

(side door). 131 Cambridge St. 4-6pm — Gay Women's Group of Providence rap. (401) 831-5184.

5pm - Non-competitive women's softball game, Magazine Beach (on Charles River near Stop & Shop, 10 blocks south of Central Sq.). 5pm — Dignity/Integrity Mass, St. Luke's Church,

17 S. Fitzhugh St., Rochester, NY. 5pm - MCC/Boston Bible study group, 131 Cambridge St., 523-7664.

5:30pm — Exodus Mass, Arlington St. Church. Boylston St. entrance, Boston. 5:30pm - Dignity service. Arlington St. Church. Boylston St. entrance, Boston.

6:30pm — Gay Church services, 23 Franklin St., Bangor, ME. 7pm - Church of the Beloved Disciple; 348

West 14th St., NYC. 7pm - MCC services, South Church, 292 State St., Portsmouth, NH (first Sunday of month). 7pm — MCC/Providence, 134 Mathewson St. (401)

7pm - MCC/NY worship, 201 W. 13th St. (corner of 7th Ave.)

7pm — MCC/Boston, worship and fellowship, Old

7:30pm — MCC worship, 425 College St, New 7:30pm — MCC/Hartford, 11 Amity St., Hartford,

West Church, 131 Cambridge St., Boston

pm-12am — Brown/RISD Gay Students Association, 305 Faunce House, Providence, RI. (401) 836-3062

8-12pm — NH Lambda for lesbians; phone (603) 332-4440.

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#### Furnald basement, Broadway at 115th St. 19-12pm — Gay Social, Columbia U., Furnald Basement, Broadway at 115th St.

Hartford, CT.

8:30pm — Gay-straight Rap, UConn, Mental Health Clinic, (203) 486-4705.

10:15pm — "Gay News" radio on WHUS-FM. (91.7),

#### **THURSDAYS**

5pm — Brandeis Gay Alliance, Usdan Student Ctr., Conf. Rm. C, Brandeis U., Waltham, MA.

7pm - Gay Alcoholics, St. Vincents Hospital,

RI, alternate weeks.

7:30pm — UConn Gay Alliance meets in the Student Union, Rm. 218, University of Connecticut,

ette St., NYC

8pm — Womenspace coffeehouse and workshop,

young people, 354-8807. 8-9pm - Lesbian Mother rap group, 21 Bay St.,

Cambridge Women's Center, 354-8807. 8:30pm — Gay Women's Caucus, UMass/Am-

Center, Hurley Bldg., Staniford St., Boston.

7:30pm - Rap group for men and women, MGTF,

## CALENDAR

#### The deadline for Calendar Items is Wednesday at noon for the following issue.

#### 5 sat

**Boston** — Gay Mountain Climb up Mt. Adems, NH. Sponsored by Gay Unitariens. Overnight. By reservation only. All welcome. Info: (603) 883-5583.

Quincy, MA — Clearspace: Potluck dinner end open house. Open to all lesblan women. Info: 646-8598.

Rendolph, MA — Appreciation Party for Barney Frank at the Randolph Country Club. Tickets, \$5. Sponsored by the Committee to Re-Elect Barney Frank, 12 noon. Info: 961-2414.

#### 6 sun

irvington, NJ — Women's Caucus Picnic for Dignity women and friends of the five New Jersey chapters, and of the NY, Brooklyn Long Island and Westchester/Rocklend chapters. Information: (201) 278-8445.

**Boston** — Benefit for GCN at Somewhere. Flee Market end more. 295 Franklin St. Info: 423-7730.

**Boston** — BUUGL will not meet until after Labor Day.

#### 7 mon

**Boston** — Goodbye Sister Courage Party, to raise money to pay debts and maybe reimburse subscribers. The Saints, 112 Broad St.

#### 8 tues

NYC — West Side Discussion Group. David Rothenberg, president of the Fortune Society, will speak. 8:30pm. Triangle Gay Community Center, 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St.

Rendolph, MA — The Pool Splash—summer meeting of the Gey Business Association. 4pm Pool Party and Cash Bar, 6pm Buffet; 8:30pm Generel Meeting and Speakers (including Elaine Noble, Barbara Gittings and the Greater Gotham Business Council), \$3 at the door. Open to the entire gey community. Info: 247-3431

**Boston** — Beginner Signing Class starting for lesblans and gays. Every Tuesday at 7:30pm. 131 Cambridge St.

#### 9 wed

NYC — MCC/NY Choir Rehearsal. 8pm. Triangle Gey Community Center, 26 Ninth Ave.

**Boston** — Out Here for Gay Youth. Rap Session. 7-9pm. 355 Boylston St.

Cembridge, MA — Mobilization for Survival. "Militarism and Violence: A Feminist Perspective." Film: Rape Culture. Panel and Group Discussion 7:30pm. 13 Sellers St.

Fremingham, MA — Lambda of Middlesex organizational mtg. 8pm. Call 877-8550 for Info.

#### 10 thur

Cembridge, MA — Boston NOW presents "The Naked Truth: The Cultural Conditioning of Women via Advertising." A slide show produced & presented by Jean Kilbourne. 8pm. Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Mass. Ave. \$2.50 benefit for Roston NOW

Cembridge, MA — Pot luck dinner for Cambridge Gay People. 1 Corliss Place (off Antrlm St.). 7-9:30pm. Info: 864-9596.

#### 11 fri

Remepo, NJ — An Open Conference on Men and the Male Role. Ramapo College. Aug. 11-15. Info: (201) 273-5072.

Cembridge, MA — The first workshop of the FAB (Faggots and Bodies) weekend will take place tonight. The theme is "androgyny, gender and drag." Gay men, queers and faggots welcome and encouraged to attend. 7:30pm, 136 River St.

**Boston** — Clearspace invites the gay community to join them on a Booze Cruise from 8-10pm. Music by Lilith. This Is not a Clearspace-sponsored event and it is open to the public. Price \$6.50. Meet at 6:30pm at Somewhere, Franklin St.

**Boston** — Boston Gay Health Project continues free VD testing by the Gay Health Collective in Bridge Över Troubled Waters' Medical Van. Anonymous (by ID#) 5-7pm. Copley Square (near Chaps); 8:30-10pm Cambridge St. (near Sporters); 10:30-11:30pm The Fenway (near Eagle).

#### 12 sat

Boston — FAB Men's Weekend. Workshop on "The Body and Creative Physical Expression." Wear loose clothing. 2pm. Boston Center for the Arts, 559 Tremont St., South End.

Smithfield, Ri — Guardians M.C. of Connecticut, Club NIght Invasion. Raffles, Disco, Pool. 9pm-2am. Town and Country Club, Farnum Pk., Rte. 5. Info: (401) 231-1180.

Boston — Community-wide gay rally to benefit MCGL. The Rev. Troy Perry, Reps. Barney Frank, Elaine Noble, Mel King, featured speakers. Arlington Street Church. 7:30pm. \$3 donation Middlefield, CT — Women's Music Festival to benefit Casa Myrna Vasquez. All day. Tickets, \$4. Performers include Kay Gardner, Felicidad, New Harmony Sisterhood Band and more. Call (800) 243-3760 for info.

#### 13 sun

Cambridge, MA — "Straight Talk About Lesblanism," a slide show, Amaranth, 134 Hampshire St.

Hartford, CT — Dignity and Integrity will celebrate together. Service at 5pm, Trinity Chapel, followed by a pot luck picnic in the garden.

**Boston** — Rev. Troy Perry, founder of the Metropolitan Community Church, will be conducting the MCC Boston service at 131 Cambridge St. at 7:30pm

Baltimore, MD — Maryland Gay Rights Coalition Picnic at Lake Roland. Noon till dusk. Call (301) 837-3755 for more info.

Norfolk, VA — Dignity/Integrity Beach Day. Contact P.O.Box 6363, Norfolk, VA 23508 or call (804) 623-4078.

Cambridge, MA — Closet Space (WCAS 740 am) Segment 1: Hot Peaches, Gay Theatre Troupe, Segment 2: MCC Rev. Ed Hougen on gay voter registration and the fall elections 9am.

Boston — FAB will hold a workshop for gay men involving "theatre, poetry and vocal expression." 3pm. Boston Center for the Arts, 559 Tremont St., South End.

**Boston** — The concluding workshop of the Faggots and Bodies Weekend will be devoted to "Energy and Healing for Faggots." 8pm. Boston Center for the Arts, 559 Tremont St., South End.

#### 16 wed

**Boston** — Out Here for Gay Youth. Discussion: Parents and School. 7-9pm. 355 Boylston St.

#### 17 thurs

Mt. Pleasant, Mi — The Michigan Women's Music Festival! Presented by the We Want the Music Collective. Write 1501 Lyons St., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 for info.

#### 18 fri

Long Island, NY — The monthly board meeting of the New Coalition for Human Rights of Long Island will take place at Pal Joey's East, Deer Park at 8pm. A benefit and buffet will follow at 10pm. \$3 donation. Info: Gayphone: (516) 665-7373.

#### 19 sat

Antrim, NH — New Hampshire Lambda, a statewide lesbian organization, monthly meeting. Picnic and more. For info, write NH Lambda, Box 1043, Concord, NH 03301.

#### 20 sun

Cambridge, MA — Closet Space (WCAS 740 am) Segment 1: Rev. Troy Perry, founder of MCC. Segment 2: Esplanade publisher Joe Leo 9am.

NYC — Gay People In Health Care. August meeting 7:30pm. Call (212) 499-1453 for Info.

Hamilton, Canada — Living es a Gay Person Today. A week long conference at Unicamp of Ontario. Write Unicamp, 268 Aberdeen Ave., Hamilton, Ontario, L8P 2R3 for info.

#### 21 mon

Baltimore, MD — Gay Community Center Benefit Night at the Hippopotamus Disco, 9pm-2am, \$2 admission. Chas, and Eager Streets.

#### 22 tues

NYC — West Side Discussion Group — "Do You Really Want a Long-Term Relationship?" 8:30pm Triangle Gay Community Center, 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St.

#### 24 thurs

Toronto, Cenage — Gaydays, In celebration of lesbians and gay men. Come to the fair, concert, dance, picnic. Aug. 24-27. For more info, write 4 Collier St., Toronto M4W 1L7.

Boston — Clearspace meeting with Boston/Boise 7:30pm. Call 646-8598.

#### 25 fri

Coventry, England — Campaign for Homosexual Equality, world-wide conference Aug. 25-28. Contact Griffith Williams, 849 Fulham Rd., London SWG 5HJ for further information.

#### **26** sat

Boston — Celebrate Women's Equality Day, Walk 10 miles for equality and raise money for the ERA Extension and Ratification - Boston NOW. Call 661-6015 to let us know you are coming. Meet at the Boston Common across from the State House at 9pm.

#### 28 mon

Boston — Hair Cutting Party at Salon de Jon 4-8pm. All proceeds to benefit GCN. 80 Charles St.

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